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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INSTRUCTIONS

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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1. IN VIEW OF THE GENERAL WORSENING HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION
HERE, I BELIEVE THE TIME HAS COME FOR A DEMARCHE AT THE HIGHEST
LEVEL. HENCE, I REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS TO ASK FOR AN URGENT
APPOINTMENT WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER.

2. I WISH AUTHORIZATION TO SAY TO HIM THE FOLLOWING: QUOTE
THE US VERY MUCH SYMPATHIZES WITH THE MODERATE POLICIES ANNOUNCED
BY PRESIDENT VIDELA AND HAD HOPED TO BE HELPFUL TO ARGENTINA
IN HER PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION AND RECONILIATION.
WE FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT ARGENTINA IS INVOLVED IN AN ALL-OUT
STRUGGLE AGAINST SUBVERSION. THERE ARE, HOWEVER, SOME NORMS
WHICH CAN NEVER BE PUT ASIDE BY GOVERNMENTS DEDICATED TO A
RULE OF LAW. RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHT IS ONE OF THEM. THE
CONTINUED ACTIVITIES OF TRIPLE A-TYPE DEATH SQUADS WHICH HAVE
RECENTLY MURDERED MICHELINI, GUTIERREZ RUIZ AND DOZEN OF
OTHERS AND HAVE JUST KIDNAPPED A MEMBER OF THE FULBRIGHT
COMMISSION, MISS ELIDA MESSINA, ARE DAMAGING THE GOA'S GENERALLY
GOOD IMAGE ABROAD. THESE GROUPS SEEM TO OPERATE WITH IMMUNITY
AND ARE GENERALLY BELIEVED TO BE CONNECTED WITH THE ARGENTINE
SECURITY FORCES. WHETHER THEY ARE OR NOT, THEIR CONTINUED OPERA-

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TION CAN ONLY BE HARMFUL TO THE GOA ITSELF AND CAUSE CON-
STERNATION AMONG ARGENTINA'S FRIENDS ABROAD.
END QUOTE

3. IN VIEW OF THE PACE OF DEVELOPMENTS, I WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY
BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.
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